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· Voters will be asked to select

two city councilmen, one from

each ward, and two members of

Since all candidates will have

opposition in the city and school

elections, voters have an oppor-

tunity to express their pleasure

by casting their votes on Tues-

day. Polls will be open from 8

cil include two encumbents, one

re-election from the first ward

on the Republican ticket. His

opponent is B. H. G. "Jerry"

Eiting, who is a candidate for

In the second ward, a veter-

an councilman, E. O. Vroman

will be seeking re-election

against Clark Finney, a newcom-

In the school board race, two

encumbents, Herman Tiekotter

and Robert Painter are seeking

re-election. Only other candidate is Harold L. Gaines. Tie-

kotter and Painter are each

completing three-year terms on

the board of education, while

Gaines is seeking his first civic

A fourth school board nominee,

Lt. Col. Harold "Chips" Wood-

ruff, was forced to withdraw

Voters will cast ballots at the

First Ward, first precinct

First Ward, second precinct-

Second Ward, first precinct-

Second Ward, second precinct

Interest in the election to date

didates have found, although it

tion interest ran high in view

pened at Cedar Creek and South

ty communities to be served by

Schedules may be completed at

Property owners may also file

Cedar Creek throughout Friday

and at South Bend through Sat-

schedules at Weeping Water un-

til April 10 and at the courthouse

period deadline, April 20.

local assessors.

day morning, April 5, to attend in Plattsmouth until the filing

following voting booths

Cass county courthouse.

Plattsmouth Motors

Cass County Motor Co.

Cass County Maytag.

to New Mexico, effective May 1. this spring.

er in the city's political life.

the first time.

the board of education.

PLATTSMOUTH, CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1953

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Repeal Move: Cass

Legislature Kills

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ton of E. T. Wilkens & Associates

Tuesday morning, the County

Commissioners learned of the in-

tended move and decided to

await the outcome, thus plan-

ning to straighten out the tax

assessment problem by going

will, no we won't" legislature.

has tossed the problem right

back into the laps of Commis-

sioners Herman Bornemeier, Ray

Norris and W. F. Nolte and

During discussion however,

Woodward told the commission-

ers that "the 50 per cent assess-

ment law definitely will be re-

pealed." He said rumors in the Capitol City that morning had

indicated that about 35 lawmak-

Woodward, who also met with

officials here a week ago, also

explained that many counties

have refused to follow the new

law and won't do anything un-

less ordered to by the state tax

Action of the legislature in re-

Tuesday meeting, had counted

heavily on the legislature's ac-

tion to clarify the issues locally.

Cass county officials that "value

of property will be decreased by

burdensome taxes." He explained

that noticeable decreases in per-

sonal and business schedules un-

der the new assessment stand-

ards, will result in a definite in-

crease in real estate property

tax. "It is possible to destroy

preperty by overtaxing," the

He further explained that

throughout the midwest, as well

as in Nebraska, farms have gen-

erally been assessed at a higher

valuation percentage than city

doubled property valuations in

the past ten years, Woodward

committee would be held Thurs-

Governor Robert Crosby to-

also advised property owners to

get ready for a tax increase, fol-

lowing the Legislature's action

At that time, Woodward told

state tax man said.

Woodward, however, told the

ers would favor repeal.

commissioner

County Assessor E. C. Giles.

Now, the action of the "yes we

back to last year's standards.

Voters To Cast Ballots In City, **School Election**

set a standard for city and school district voters to meet in the coming election here on April 7. As usual well over 75 per cent of the high school voters cast ballots.

While the city election will have a much greater importance it is doubtful if 40 per cent of the eligible voters in the community will cast ballots in the important city and school board election next Tuesday.

Jack Holf to Be **Weeping Water Boys' Stater**

Jack L. Holt has been selected | a. m. to 8 p. m. at the four votas Boys' State representative at ing precincts. Weeping Water. Holt's selection | Candidates for the city counwas announced by William M. Finley, adjutant of the Ameri- from each ward. Councilman D. can Legion Post at Weeping L. Grove, dean of the four city Water following selection by the councilmen, is a candidate for



The committee also named William E. Everett as alternate. Holt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Holt, who live five miles north of Weeping Water, is the president of the junior class at Weeping Water. His other activities include being in the junior class play, member of the Student Council, delegate to has been generally lagging, can-Boys' and Girls' County Government at Plattsmouth on April is generally expected in an "off 8. He has also been active in year" election. A year ago elec-4-H club work.

His alternate, Bill Everett has of the state and national prilettered two years in football, is | maries. a member of the junior play Council and is employed by Nor-ris Hatchery after school and Only 18 Days cast, serves on the Student on Saturday. Bill's brother, Arthur, attended Boys' State in To File Schedules 1938. Everett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Everett of Weeping Water.

Holt or Everett will join other Bend today, last two Cass coun-Cass county youths in attending Boys' State at Lincoln in early

TO ATTEND EASTER SERVICE Knight Templars of Mt. Zion Commandery will meet at the Masonic Hall at 8:35 a. m. Sun-

Journal Want Ads Pay!

Easter services in Weeping Wa-

2,500 Cones Given At Ruback's



An estimated 2,500 candy cotton cones were her gets the cone from a sugar company repredone by a retailer here. Interest in the candy can be noted by the young girl's undivided interest in the cotton candy as the girl in front of Photo.

Groups Seek

rom the race because of Air Cass County Horse Show Assoc-

Porce regulations. Woodruff has liation to bring an all-Palomino

noon

also recently received a transfer | Horse Show to Plattsmouth early

tors have voted to join with the

contingent upon action of the

Horse Show directors who will

meet early next week to decide

whether to go ahead with ten-

Chet Wiles, president of the

Horse Show group, explained to

Lions Club members Tuesday

your may bid for the Eastern

Division show. He said it would

bring registered Palomino hors-

es here from about six states

Horse Show directors early next

week to decide their action. If

the grown androves state sanc-

Lump Settlement

Asked In Court

and Guaranty Company.

Wiles explained.

in late May.

A Classified Ad in the Journal Tumpane, was injured last No-

tion of the show will be sought.

The show will probably be held

Application for approval of

final lump settlement has been

filed in Cass district court by

Charles F. Fisher against Tum-

pane and United States Fidelity

Plaintiff and defendant have

agreed to an \$840 settlement for

claims by the plaintiff under the

Fisher, a Pacific Junction.

Iowa, machinist, employed by

workman's compensation act.

Wiles will call a meeting of

that the Plattsmouth

tative plans for the show.

served to youngsters at Ruback Super Store at sentative. At right another company representa-Plattsmouth last Friday and Saturday. Serving tive speeds up the next cotton candy cone. At the kid's favorite was the first time it had been the time the picture was taken the three girls headed a line that extended about three abreast offices will be completed in the the full length of Ruback's Store. — Journal structure. Although he has

Why Don't They Go Home? **Palomino Horse** We doubt Nebraska taxpayers can stand another 30 to 60 days of the present session of the Nebraska Legislature.

Failure to pass repeal of the 50 per cent tax law at Wednesday's session following recommendations of Gov. Crosby, is the greatest calamity to fall on Nebraska citizens since the dark ages. Following this display of intelligence and statements made by some observers, even Senators themselves, we are convinced that not one out of ten Senators can explain the application of mill levies to assessments in Nebraska's tax

Cass County real estate owners can look forward to a terrific increase in their tax bill for 1953 — it could run to as much as 50 per cent greater than 1952.

Might we suggest that Nebraska's Senators please go home. The building could be leased to the Commodity Credit Corporation for storage of TUR-KEYS-at least Nebraskans would have some revenue coming in and the stench would not equal that which is emulating from the structure at present.

Easter Specials Saturday Only; Ads Tell Story

A variety of merchandise is on sale this Saturday in Plattsmouth for the Easter Valu hunt. The merchandise. one article at each participating store, is listed as a "Saturday only special in advertisements in today's Plattsmouth Journal.

Buyers are urged to check the advertisements closely and to compare these very special Easter buys.

Meanwhile the Chamber of Commerce has announced that it is sending copies of today's Journal to some 750 rural residents in the Pacific Junction and Glenwood, Iowa,

12 Alvo Students **Coming Here for Government Day**

Selected to participate in Boys and Girls County Government here on Wednesday. April 8, were 12 boys and girls from the Alvo consolidated school.

Superintendent Kenneth L. D. Gardner has submitted the list of Alvo county officers to Richard Peck, chairman of the government day program. Alvo officers are:

Darlene Johnson, county clerk; valuations for eleven Dick Printz county commission-Eleanor Kellogg, county judge; Dick Clark, county trea-Jim Hermance, register of deeds; Jim Morgaridge, county assessor; Lee Fischer, sheriff; Lee Nickel, county attorney; Marilyn Sutton, superintendent of schools; Bob Kellogg, county

surveyor; Junior Weichel clerk of the district court: Mary Louise Eckery, welfare director. They join Avoca and Weeping Water schools, who have certi-\$2,566,350 fied candidates for the all-day government study to be held here. Other schools from the county are expected to submit \$480,240 officer candidates within the

Board's Hopes Die Offices Planned In Old Farmer's **Bank Building**

ent T. Woster was announced effect. today by J. Howard Davis, local attorney and insurance agent who plans to make business offices out of the Main street lo-

Davis said today that he plans immediate remodeling of the building to provide office space for his own business as well as additional offices.

The building, vacant at the present time, had previously housed the Gamble store at

In announcing purchase of the building, Mr. Davis explained that a number of modern made no committments, he explained that several have in-

dicated interest in office space. Purchase came as Davis noted his 24th year in Plattsmouth. He recalled that it was 24 years ago on April 1, that he came to Plattsmouth and entered the employ of the Plattsmouth State Bank. Three years later he joined Judge A. H. Duxbury in the insurance business and in 1934 Mr. Davis was admitted to the bar. His offices are presently located in the Soennichsen build-

During his 24 years in Plattsmouth, Mr. Davis lists as his outstanding achievement, contruction of the Oakmont house ing district which he started in Memorial Park at Omaha. 1941 and completed in 1942. He served as city attorney for seven | Mount Calvary Knights of Temyears, is a past president of the plar. Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce and Plattsmouth Rotary Club, is a past master of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M., and has been an active worker in the Methodist church where he served for eight years as Sunday school superintend-

Mrs. Davis has also been an active worker at the Methodist church and in women's activities in the community. They have a daughter, Carol.

Schools Close Today; Reopen Tuesday, April 7

Plattsmouth schools will be dismissed at 3 p.m. today. Thursday, for the Easter holidays, Principal William Floyd an-

Floyd also points out that school will resume on Tuesday, April 7, at the regular morning hour. The arrangements gives students and teachers Friday ditional expense in bringing Sta- and Monday vacations from re-

Council Confers Degrees on Five

Adoniran Council No. 5, conferred Royal and Select Master degrees upon five candidates at a meeting held Friday at the

Masonic Hall. Degrees were conferred upon Clayton Rhylander, George M. Epperson, Lt. Col. Harold Woodruff, Marion Brown and Kenneth

Faith in Cass County Commissioners in the 1953 Nebraska Legislature was dealt another lethal blow Wednesday when the state Solons turned down Governor Robert Crosby's request that they kill the 50 per cent assessment law passed three weeks ago.

Informed early Tuesday morning by E. F. Woodward of the state tax commissioner's office that a movement was underway to have the law repealed, the County Commissioners delayed action on a number of problems which State Bank building from Clem- they had been fighting since the laws were put into * At a special meeting with | Woodward and Fred A. Harring-

Ray Cook Will Conduct Services



Raymond C. Cook

Raymond C. Cook, Grand Custodian of the Masonic Grand fusing to repeal the assessment Lodge of Nebraska will deliver laws came as much of a surprise the Easter address at 8 a. m., to the state executive officers as Sunday in the World War II to local officials who, after the Services are sponsored by the

House Builders Coming Sunday

tors of Omaha will open offices nere on Sunday in preparation for the start of construction of housing in the new Valley View housing project south of Plattsmouth on Highway 73-75.

The company will set up head quarters across the highway property. Most counties have from the housing project, and today announced that 63 housing sites are available in the said proposed housing district.

Persons seeking sites the commissioners that a meetcontact the contractors at Om- ino of all fieldmen with the tax aha throughout the remainder! of this week or here after 1 p. day day, in a statement to the press,

m., Sunday, April 5. Suitable housing plans and loan arrangements are available.

Murdock Man Ranks High In Poultry Contest

William Streich of Murdock has won high ranking in the national in-cross parent stock flockowners' best records contest, it was announced this Week

Streich will receive a \$6.95 cash award. More than 200 poultry raisers in 12 midwest states competed for thousands of dollars in cash prizes in the

Junior Hi Music Clinic Declared Very Successful

The first Junior High music clinic held here "exceeded expectations". Music Director at Plattsmouth, Melvin McKenney said, following the all-day clinic here Tuesday. Seventy-one students from

four schools, Tecumseh, Bellevue. Syracuse and Plattsmouth participated in the clinic. Individual performances at the Presbyterian church throughout the afternoon was followed by direct criticism to the participants followed by band rehearsal at the high school audi-

The evening band concert presented by the massed group included:

"Normal" march by the group fer is featured by each of the french horn solo by Judy Masters of Syracuse: Chapel Shrine by group; flute solo by a Bellevue girl: The Great Gate of Kiev by the band; clarinet duet by Marilyn Kline and Carolyn Mardrery of Tecumseh; Dane of the Apprentice, group; cornet trio. Bob Beverage Carol Davis and Dean Biles, Plattsmouth;

and Military Escort, band. Designed to give junior high

Equalization Values Compared To County,s 1952 Assessed Valuations

costs as little as 35 cents. vember 2.

ty values as determined by E. by the state. The state figures plained that East Rock Bluff P. Wilkens & Associates of Linwere exhibited to the County precinct climbed from the 1952 were exhibited to 1952 were exhibited coln with assessed valuations of property for last year presen-ted some startling figures to Cass County Commissioners on Tuesday morning at a special meeting of the board with a state tax and company official. Fred A. Harrington, representative of Wilkens Company. which has recently completed an equalization survey in Cass the county board, Harrington county, submitted actual valua- explained that men conducting

valuations. The company's figures ranged ground from a 200 percent increase in Avoca precinct to a 500 percent that farm property is given an increase at Greenwood. All areas automatic 30 percent depreciareported by Mr. Harrington, tion allowance on the actual showed increases generally ab- value as determined in the \$1,710,600

out 300 percent. For example Plattsmouth as determined by ciation is allowed in the rural the company were set at \$8,- areas because it is "doubtful if 444.935 while the 1952 assessment costs of farm improvements in-\$1,120,880 valuation for the same proper- crease the value of the farm by ties was \$1,707,070, or about 20 an equal amount." tax department in comparing about 80 million dollars. assessed valuation with sale He showed however that real \$120,550 value of Plattsmouth property. estate values on the farm have Assessed valuation in Platts- been increased through the sur- \$75,690 mouth has averaged 21 per cent vey almost as much as city of the sale value as determined property. As examples, he ex- \$274,090

The state's figures show that the county as a whole, taking 670. real estate sale and assessed values for all communities, Cass company officials take town-County's assessed valuation is 22 percent of the sales value.

In submitting the figures to tions as determined by the com- the equalization survey here did pany for several cities and pre- "not" know the old valuations cincts in the county for com- on any of the property. He also parison with 1952 real estate pointed out that the valuations include property on leased

> Harrington also explained \$1,707,070 equalization survey. He explainvaluations at ed that the 30 percent depre-

percent of the actual valuation Harrington also pointed out as determined by the company. that real estate value in Cass \$106,400 Wilkens figures compare fav- county, as determined in the orable with a report of the state "actual value" survey will climb \$21,390

Commissioners by E. C. Wood- valuation of \$43,540 to \$223,020: and that Elmwood precinct climbed from \$224,390 to \$615,-

> To analyze their own figures, ships of the greatest value and compare figures to see whether they make common sense, and if these townships have been given the largest increases.

> Here are comparisons of real estate communities and pre-

OLD City of Plattsmouth \$8 444,935 East Rock Bluff Pre Elmwood Precinct \$4,168,810 Eight Mile Grove \$3,505,265 Avoca Precinct

Avoca City Murray Village Manley Village Eagle Village \$425,415 Greenwood Village

Elmwood Village

next few days. Stopping here for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Furse Wednesday while en route to \$534,780 | their home at Aurora from Florida were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald \$1,085,040 Bremer.

License Local **Cleaning Plant For New Process** Lugsch Cleaners at Platts-

mouth has been awarded a licensed right for use of the Sta-Nu process for Plattsmouth, Fred Lugsch, owner - manager of the firm announced today.

Lugsch said today that he feels that the demand for this finer finishing merits his ad-Nu to Plattsmouth. He said "any gular school work. one can see the difference makes at a glance."

Mr. Lugsch explains that it is a mechanical and chemical operational technique which automatically feeds and homogenizes textile oils into steam used in the finishing operation. It restores to fabrics the original texture and body found in new clothes. The fabrics absorb just enough textile oils to counter detergency losses from cleaning and normal wear, Lugsch points

Lugsch further added that this ing at no extra cost.

Mrs. H. Wetenkamp, Eagle Resident 33 Years, Dies Monday

Born near Walton she was

lived in Fagle for 33 years be- Plattsmouth Chamber of Comfore going to Lincoln in 1945. Methodist church at Tagle before going to Lincoln. Henry of Lincoln; brother, M. J. of Bill Knorr. Policing of the covered with sacks on that day Maver of Denton; three nephews area will be handled by Al Lin- to provide the free parking. and a niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Romohr of Gresham were visitors here with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cane for a short time Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Heil of Plattsmouth were callers at the A. C. Hennings home near Louisville Sunday afternoon.

process is given to customer along with his finer dry clean-**Meters Here On Saturday** Some 300 colored eggs, more#

than one-third of which will operation with local merchants. bear a 50-cent cash value, will incoln, native of the Eagle and Saturday morning for children Walton area, died Monday at up to seven years of age to seek Plattsmouth Journal. out and redeem Howard Ruback, chairman of

hristened Katherine Mayer and the Retail committee of the participants. merce is general chairman of Easter valu hunts, the Chamber She was a member of the the Easter ego hunt. Members of Commerce has also made arof the Junior Woman's Club are rangements with the city to coloring the eggs which will be have free parking for the day, Surviving are her husband, distributed under the direction | Saturday, April 4. Meters will be der and the Boys Scouts.

participate in an Easter Valu will be determined by the co-Chamber of Commerce in co- the community.

Many merchants are today fea- | torium from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Mrs. Henry Wetenkamp, 76, of be concealed at the city park furing special Easter Values in their advertisements in The One special merchandising of-

Along with the Easter egg and

In announcing the free park-Names of retail firms in ing program, the Chamber how-Plattsmouth high schol sen- Plattsmouth will be marked on ever points out that it can be many hours of practice and ors took Regents examinations a great many of the eggs and successful only if merchants participation, the clinic will be for the University of Omaha on will bear a 50-cent cash value, and employees in the business held again next year at one of The eggs when turned into the district refrain from parking in the other four schools. store whose name appears on the metered zones. Cooperation the egg will be worth 50 cents of employers and employees is to the finder. Firms participat- asked so that the parking area ensemble performed before the ing will have their names on two can be kept clear for the shop- high school student assembly ping public. This free parking here Tuesday afternoon. But local shoppers also will trial, the Chamber points out,

Mrs. Frank Blotzer of Omaha

hunt, also a promotion of the operation exercised by people of was here Thursday on business and to visit with relatives.